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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Masaru HIDAKA, et al.  
 SERIAL NO: New US PCT Application Based on PCT/JP05/05366  
 FILED: Herewith  
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## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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/F.T./	AO	10 24274	01/27/1998	JP (with English abstract and computer generated translation)		NO
/F.T./	AP	11 140224	05/25/1999	JP (with English abstract and computer generated translation)		NO
/F.T./	AQ	2004 155964	06/03/2004	JP (with English abstract)		NO
/F.T./	AR	2004 041917	05/21/2004	WO (with English abstract)		NO
/F.T./	AS	2002 226871	08/14/2002	JP (with English abstract)		NO
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#### STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY

- 1) References AO-AS have been cited in the International Search Report. A copy of these references is being submitted herewith.
- 2) References [REDACTED] have been cited in the corresponding [REDACTED] Search Report. A copy of these references is being submitted herewith.
- 3) References AT-AU are discussed in the specification. A copy of these references is being submitted herewith.
- 4) References [REDACTED] are additional prior art known to Applicant. A copy of these references is being submitted herewith.